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Waheguru Ji Ka Khalsa Waheguru Ji Ki Fateh

Message from the Executive Principal

As we move into the final few weeks of the academic year, we are busy organising a number of events that celebrate our achievements and also welcome our new families and children.

It was wonderful to meet with our new reception parents last week. The children were very excited and full of energy. They enjoyed their time in the EYFS area.

PTA organised a lovely afternoon for Father's day this Friday. We hope there is some nice 'Dad Time' planned this weekend. Children please make the time to say Thank You to your Dad's, Granddad's and Uncle's and for all that they do for you!

For our school to be successful the performance of our pupils is essential. We've had the first indication of the talent and potential in our current year 7 through the National Maths Challenge results. For Year 7 pupils to have achieved silver and bronze awards is exceptional...Well done to everybody! Year 7 have been working hard at school and home to prepare for the annual summative exams, which begin next week.

We are receiving some wonderful projects from our Primary children and I thank parents for their time in actively supporting their children in developing skills and knowledge.

Information regarding the remaining school events will come out in due course and we look forward to welcoming you all into school to enjoy the celebrations.

Information regarding the Summer Fayre will be advertised to parents and we welcome donations for the tombola and raffle. Thank you for your generosity in supporting the Chabeel event. Drinks will be distributed in Coventry City Centre this Saturday.

Kind Regards Mrs P Hammond

Attendance

Attendance Year 7	SEVA Target	Attendance	Authorised Absence	Unauthorised Absence
September -	98%	97.6%	1.8%	0.6%
June				
Week beg 6th	98%	96.4%	3%	0.7%
June				

Seva Studies

The virtue for this half term is **responsibility.**

I am responsible. I try my best in all that I do. I learn from my mistakes and I am willing to make amends. sath sa(n)thokh dhaeiaa kamaavai eaeh karanee saar ||



God Provides To All

One day a Sikh who was a family man came to see Guru Har Rai Ji, the seventh Guru. This man worked hard to take care of his family but when he came to see the Guru he was very troubled. He told the Guru that for many years he had wanted to leave everything and come stay in the Guru's service. He said, "I want only to serve you and earn salvation in the next world". Then he told the Guru how he had a son who would have taken over the family responsibilities but, sadly, the boy had died. "All my hopes are shattered, what can I do?!" he asked the Guru.

Guru Ji asked him how many people he had in his family. "O True King, I have two younger sons and a daughter, and their mother, my beloved wife. I am the fifth member of the family. As far as money, whatever I earn is needed to feed us all," replied the Sikh. Surprisingly, Guru Ji told him that if he wished to serve then he should do it. "But Guru Ji," the Sikh asked respectfully, "how will they survive without me? Maybe you can give me faith that they will be taken care of." But the Guru did not answer and instead told him to go on an errand. The instructions from Guru Ji were, "Take this letter to a Sikh of mine. Then make sure he has read the whole letter before you come back."

So the man went as quickly as he could. "Guru Ji will surely give me the answer and a lesson when I get back!" he thought. When he gave the Sikh the letter he blurted out excitedly, "I have a message from Guru Sahib for you. Please read it quickly. Once you finish the whole thing, I can go back to the Guru and get my lesson!" So the Sikh read the letter, and here is what it said: "Dear Beloved, capture the man who has brought you this letter and make sure he does not leave your sight for the next six months. Treat him kindly and with respect. After six months you may then free him."

The Sikh who received the letter was obedient and knew he would to follow Guru's order. He asked the man to come to another room and then he locked the door. Then he said through the door, "O brother, I am truly sorry but I can't let you leave for six months. That is what the letter from the Guru said." The other man pleaded, "Please sir, I have four people to look after and they need me. They can eat only if I earn and provide food. Without me they will starve. Please, let me go." But the Sikh couldn't and wouldn't listen. He followed the order, and even managed to convince the family man to trust the Guru and follow it too. So the family man stayed there and spent his time meditating on the Guru's lotus feet.

Meanwhile the universe was in the process of taking care of the man's family. The first night he was gone they went without dinner. But the neighbours found out that the father was missing and decided to help out. To start with, each neighbour family brought one tray of flour each. Since there were fifty houses in the neighbourhood, fifty trays of flour were collected in the space of 2 hours! That gave the family enough to make chapattis for a really long time. Next, the people living in the entire area helped them find jobs. The two sons became assistants to skilled workers, and they started earning some money. And another lady from the neighbourhood gave their mother and little sister embroidery lessons. Once they learned that, they were able to do sewing jobs. With all this help and support from the community and their jobs the family didn't have any more problems buying their food.

Six whole months went by and the father was free to go. He immediately rushed home to see his family. He had been really worried, thinking that without food they might not even be alive. When he got home his heart almost burst out of his chest. They looked so great and healthy! The wife explained: "When you were gone the neighbours all pitched in to give us food. Then they trained which helped us get good jobs. With all of us earning now, we are very successful. We have more than we ever had before. There was never anything for you to worry about."

Now he understood the Guru's play. This was his lesson in faith. He knew his family were fine without him. God would take care of them and he was free to serve the Guru. He went to the Guru and gave himself in gratitude and service. He felt such happiness and bliss serving him. He allowed himself to serve his heaven instead of just his earthly responsibility, and doing this his earthly life was covered. Instead of staying a slave to a lifestyle of work, he realized that when he served the Guru God still provided. And his family not only survived, they thrived!

Exam Week – beginning 20th June

Good luck to all students. I hope you have been able to use the techniques that you witnessed on the revision evening. Can you please ensure that your children have a nutritional breakfast. Research shows what a positive impact good nutrition and hydration makes.

Students need to bring a bottle of water (no squash or other drinks please) to sip in the exam. Please check that your children have black pens and other equipment in a clear pencil case. Exam results will be given to students to record in their books and will appear on the end of year reports.

Warwick Castle Trip

Please can money (£17) be given to Sandy in reception by Wednesday 22nd June. Please can you put your child's name and *Warwick Castle trip* on the envelope. We are unable to provide change so please ensure the correct amount is given in.

Maths Challenge

On the 28th April many students took part in the International Maths Challenge; their first real experience of formal exams. All who participated received a certificate and the students listed below acquired a further certificate for attaining high marks. We have a very talented year 7, in my experience students are normally in year 8 before they get silver and bronze awards.

Ajay Raichura – Silver Keaton Sohal – Silver Dhaiya Shergill – Bronze Birjot Singh – Bronze Udayvir Brar – Bronze Mya Kaloti – Bronze Arian Sahota – Bronze Kieranvir Sandhu - Bronze



Celebration Evening - Thursday 14th July 6:00-7:00

If you would like to attend our celebration event highlighting the achievements of year 7 then please fill in and return the reply slip to book your tickets. It is essential that you let us know how many tickets you would like in order to support our planning.

Behaviour for learning

9 incidents recorded in 2 weeks.

Race for Life 5K Muddy Run.

Some of the staff at Seva School will be taking part in the Race for Life muddy run on Saturday 25th June at Stoneleigh Park. 'Seva Warriors' want to raise as much money as they can for Cancer Research UK. They are on a mission to raise £1000 and are raring to go!

For some of them, this is a new experience and the thought of trawling through a 5km muddy obstacle course is quite daunting. They hope the children at Seva School will be inspired by their courage and determination. They have a group fundraising page if anyone wishes to sponsor them:

www.justgiving.com/nirbanmattu

Calendar Dates

Dates	Activity
Saturday 18 th June (PTA Event)	Chabeel – Donations of soft drinks and water in to school after half
	term
Wednesday 22 nd June	Primary open day (9.30am – 3pm) and evening (6.30pm – 7.30pm)
	for prospective parents 2017
Thursday 23 rd June	Secondary open day (9.30am – 3pm) and evening (6.30pm –
	7.30pm) for prospective parents 2017
Saturday 2 nd July (PTA Event)	Summer Fayre – 11am to 3pm
Tuesday 5 th July	Primary end of year celebration assemblies and certificates –
	Information to follow
Wednesday 6 th July	Year 7 Transition day and evening
Tuesday 12 th July	Reception, Year 1, Year 3, Year 4 Progress Evening
Tuesday 12 th July	New Year 5 Transition morning – information to follow
Thursday 14 th July	Year 2 Progress Evening
Thursday 14 th July	Year 7 Celebration Evening – 6pm onwards
Friday 15 th July (PTA Event)	Primary Sports Event – afternoon
Monday 18 th July	Primary Celebration Assembly – Times TBC
Wednesday 20 th July	Last day of term

School term dates for 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 are available on our website.

Finally...

From the students:

- We were very pleased to receive our Maths Challenge certificates.
- We all feel prepared for Exam Week and hope we do our teacher's proud!
- We would like to thank Mrs Waddingham for letting us go to Warwick Castle.

Reply Slip						
Please return this reply slip to your child's form tutor by Friday 24 th June 2016.						
You are invited to attend the Year 7 Celebration Evening on Thursday 14 th July 6:00-7:00 (please arrive and be seated by 6:00pm). The event will celebrate the achievements and successes of our students in their first year at Seva school.						
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Year 7 Celebration Ev	SEVA SCHOOL					
Student's name:		- Set Bellook				
I/we would like to attend the Year 7 Celebration Evening.						
I/we request	_tickets (max 4 per family)					
Parent's name :						
Parent's signature:						